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In re Application of:)	
)	Confirmation No.: 1980
Cates, et al.)	
)	Art Unit: 3731
Application No. 10/791,196)	
)	Examiner: Michael Thaler
Filed: March 2, 2004)	
)	Attorney Docket No.: 13829.105005
For: Blood Vessel Sealing System)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 7, 2007

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on May 7, 2007, please consider the remarks presented herein. Also submitted with this Response is a Terminal Disclaimer and a Form PTO-2038 credit card authorization to charge the associated fee of \$65 for the Terminal Disclaimer.

Claim Status is listed on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this document.

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